

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, December 7, 1741.

From the London Gazette, Dec. 1.

Naples, Nov. 7, N. S.

BY the Spanish Courier we learn, that an Expedition of 13,000 Men under the Direction of M. de Montemar is sailed from Barcelona, to be followed by another of 10,000 Men likewise from Barcelona, and joined by a Body of Neapolitan Troops, viz. Ten Battalions out of the Foot Regiments, the Queen, Enaut, Anvers, and Guidi; eight Companies of the Italian and Swiss Guards, some Companies of Gunners, Squadrons of Cuirassiers and Dragoons. This Day his Sicilian Majesty reviewed 4000 of his Troops near this City, which are to march to Morrow, to be joined by 6000 more Horse and Foot from Capua, Gaeta, &c. with a Train of Artillery, all to be transported hence by Sea, as said, to the Presidii, convoyed by the Parthenope and St. Philip Men of War.

Leghorn, Nov. 17. The Arrival of a great Body of Spanish Troops on the Coasts of Italy has put this Place into an Alarm, so that we are working on the Fortifications and adding new Batteries, also at Porto Feraio and Grossetto. 140 Gunners landed the 10th at Porto Longone from Spain; 100 Transports, suppoed from Barcelona, sailed through the Channel of Piombino on their Course to Orbitello and other Places of the Presidii.

Florence, Nov. 19. Two Estafettes are arrived from Grossetto with Notice, That the Transports were arrived at Orbitello, Porto Hercole and the rest of the Presidii where the Spanish Troops were landing.

Westminster, Dec. 1. This Day his Majesty came to the House of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message to the House of Commons commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majesty's Pleasure was signified to them by the Lord Chancellor, That they would return to their House and chuse a Speaker, and present him to his Majesty on Friday the 4th instant. They returned accordingly,

and unanimously chose the Rt. Hon. Arthur Onslow to be their Speaker.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, Dec. 1.

Since our last arrived a French Mail.

THIS Day, when the Parliament met, the Commons were sworn in the Court of Wards by the Duke of Dorset, and there was the fullest House known for many Years the first Day of a Parliament; no less than 470 were sworn. Many Peers also took the Oaths and their Seats.

Yesterday being St. Andrew's Day, Patron of Scotland, his Majesty, the Royal Family and the Court wore Crosses. And No. 50252 was drawn a Prize of 10000 l. the Property of Mr. Cock of Camberwell, Partner with Mr. Alderman Arnold of Cheapside; 47650 a Prize of 1000 l. 36800, 10399, 13783, 19544, 27288, of 500 l. each; 35443, 42791, 50907 and 49290, 100 l. each. And 'tis observable that in the 2d Bridge Lottery a 10000 l. Prize was drawn on St. Andrew's Day.

As to Admiral Haddock's Death, 'tis said the Dutch Envoy here, on receiving Advice thereof, communicated the same to the King.

As for Admiral Vernon, Letters from Jamaica advise that he is returned to Cumberland Harbour from St. Jago. Other Letters thence say, that the Weymouth of 60 Guns has taken a Ship from the Havannah with 200,000 l. worth aboard; and that the Augusta, another 60 Gun Ship, has taken another 20 Gun Privateer from thence.

Advices from abroad by the above Mail are: From Vienna, that the Queen of Hungary's Affairs are still in a better State than they appear; and tho' she has many Enemies, yet the advanced Season will stop their Progress, till the numerous Armies she has on foot can draw together from Moravia, Tyrol, &c. when when assembled must at least harass the Enemies during the Winter; and that against Spring they are pretty sure of Assistance from several Quarters. Tho' it is observed, 'That the Court of Vienna can expect no Relief from that Nation, which has tamely allowed the Spaniards to invade the Dominions of Italy, by transporting by Sea 25450 Foot, 3300 Horse and 2072 Dragoons; all which are



soon to be followed by another Convoy.' Other Letters from Vienna say, that they are entirely obliged to the King of Prussia for that City's not being besieged, who might have hindered C. Neuperg to march up to its Relief. They seem in great Hopes that the Electors of Bavaria and Saxony will fall out about the Crown of Bohemia, both having Pretensions to it; and that the Excesses and Devastations which the Bavarian and French Troops commit every where will alienate the Affections of the People. On the other hand we see the following Letter from

Paris, Dec. 1, N. S. A Courier is arrived here with Advice that the City of Prague surrendered the 26th ult. without Resistance; the immediate Consequence of which is, That the Elector of Bavaria will cause himself be proclaimed King of Bohemia. The Reports of a Peace between the Q. of Hungary and K. of Prussia are only Artifice of the Court of Vienna, to suspend the Saxon Troops marching till C. Neuperg got into Bohemia. — It is not doubted but the States of Italy will receive the Spaniards with open Arms, who have a recent Instance of the Mildness of Spanish Government, in that of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, where, far from exhausting their Treasure, Riches are brought in, and even Money sent 'em from Spain; while on the other hand they cannot forget that the Emperor annually drew Millions from them. The great Design now, indeed, is to procure Don Philip an Establishment worthy of his Birth, and his Alliance with the Daughter of the Head of the Bourbon House. We hear that part of the Spanish Troops disembarked at Civita Vecchia, and are to be followed by Don Philip in Person, and 'tis said will take his Route thro' Languedoc, Provence, &c. — Cardinal Fleury has been slightly indisposed, and is advised to drink Goats Milk.

From the Evening Posts, Dec. 1.

Extract of a Letter from Prague, dated Nov. 18. wrote a Week before the Attack of that Place.

The 14th of this Month an Aid de Camp of the French Army, accompanied by another Officer, came to this City, and ask'd to speak with the Governor. Whereupon they were both conducted blindfold to General Ogilvy. They did not summons him to yield up the Place, as has been reported, but declared to him, 'That a free Passage to the French Troops having been no where refused in the whole Empire, they were charged likewise to demand it through that City.' To

which the Governor made Answer, 'I am ordered if any foreign Troops approach or attack the Town of Prague, to defend it to the last Extremity. I have served the House of Austria faithfully ever since my Youth, and am resolved in my advanced Years to behave with the same Fidelity towards the Queen of Hungary my Sovereign.' The two Officers were then conducted out of the City.

Vienna, Nov. 22. The Great Duke having sent to the Prince of Anhalt-Deßau to know what Orders he had received from his Court, a Prussian Officer arrived in the Army on the 19th, accompanied by a Trumpeter, with this Answer, That he had no Orders to receive for the future but from Russia, and that he expected Directions thence every Day how to act.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

We hear that a violent Fever rages at Bruges, Antwerp, and other Parts of Flanders, and carries off Numbers of People every Day.

On Saturday last her Grace the Dutches of Buckingham arrived at Dover from France.

From Mount's Bay we hear, that on Thursday last, about four in the Morning, the Betty, Capt. Temple Chevalier, bound from Maryland to London, was by a violent Storm drove upon the Rocks of that Place in miserable Plight; that she had several Holes in her Bottom, and 'twas expected she would sink downright the following Tide; that not a Hoghead of her Tobacco was saved, but that all her People, except the Mate, who was wash'd over board and drowned some Leagues off at Sea, were preserved.

The Greenwich, M'Kenzie, from Jamaica for London, is lost off Beachy-Head, and several of the Company drowned.

The Mary, Taylor, from Southampton to Dublin, is lost near Bishops Castle in Wales.

The Expedition, Talcot, from Messina for London, is ashore near Boulogne in France, and 'tis feared will be lost.

The —, Capt. Alexander Long, bound from Hull for New-England, with sixty Bales of Yorkshire Cloth, was taken on the 16th of October, by a Spanish Privateer, 40 Leagues W.S.W. of Scilly, and carried into Bilboa.

On Saturday the Owners of the Mary, Capt. Lynch, bound from Montserrat to London, received Advice of her being taken in the Latitude of Bermudas, by a Spanish Privateer, who took Capt. Lynch into their Ship; but a Storm arising

the Vessels were separated, and the Privateer soon after taken herself and carry'd into Jamaica; so that the Captain has got his Liberty, but the Ship is lost.

The Vernon, Sherbourn, from Nervis for London, is taken by a Spanish Privateer and carried into St. Sebastians.

'Tis said the Elector of Bavaria has 12000 Pistoles remitted to him monthly from Spain.

On Saturday No. 10,559 was drawn a Prize of 2000 l. No. 45,783, 1000 l. No. 50,634, 500 l. No. 20,791, 40,798, 33,987, 37,627, 38,670, 36,628, 41,213, 38,537, 34,658, 100 l. each.

From Woolwich we learn, that they have lately added to the Train of Artillery a Body of Miners chiefly raised in Cornwall, to be employed mostly in Sieges.

Yesterday being the Anniversary Meeting of the Royal Society, Martin Folke, Esq; was chosen their President, in room of Sir Hanse Sloan, who has resign'd.

To the L—— and E—— P—— of G—— B——,
An EPIGRAM.

Once in a Year a Fast is join'd with Prayer,
That Heav'n in Mercy may three Kingdoms spare:
But if one *darling* * *Sin* ye let remain,
Your Prayers are fruitless, and your Fasts are vain.
Purge and be clean, that *Obstacle* surmount;
Call the *Corruptor* to a strict Account;
Your *Cause* of Misery no more approve,
The Effect will cease if you the *Cause* remove.

* *Corruption.*

EDINBURGH, Dec. 8.

Extracts of Letters from Jamaica, Sept. 13, 14.

The Montrose of Glasgow, Capt. Andrew Crawford, was in the Night of the 25th ult. cast away off of Portland Keys, the Captain and Crew are all safe, but 'tis feared the Vessel, as well as Cargo, will turn to little Account. One of Admiral Vernon's Squadron touched here last Saturday, which had taken a Spanish Privateer of the Havannah, the Crew whereof declared that the Admiral Ship had been destroyed by Lightning, whereby also most of the Town was consumed. Trade here goes swimmingly on, so that Brethren esteem themselves but poorly off when they do not clear above Cent. per Cent. even the Spanish Sloops touch and traffick, and are in a manner winked at; and several French and Dutch Ships having been taken with Stores aboard, are condemned here. We have little these 5 Weeks past from Cuba, except political Letters, which contain the highest Reflections upon the G——, in-

so much that moderate People here scarce credit them; such as: 'Our fine G—— is advanced into the Country to within 18 Miles of St. Jago, but will not advance an Inch further, tho' he has 1200 Negroes to clear the Way, and might have 5000 more from Jamaica, if he will but condescend to ask them. If the Admiral should send the Tars ashore to do the Business for him, they must, while on Land, be under the Authority of that unactive Man. Thus must we, in all Probability, lose the Opportunity of possessing St. Jago, (which opens a clear Command to the Gulf of Mexico) a fine rich healthful Place, and tho' almost defenceless on the Land-side, yet it is well fortified by Sea. The Admiral has sent two Ships to try the Soundings, and if there are the least Dawn of Hopes of Success, will be at it. Fresh Provisions are as plentiful aboard the Fleet as in Leadenhall Market, yet ashore they seem starving, nor is any Cattle allowed to be brought into the Camp: Yea, lately the G—— caused dress and serve up to his Table a Colt, which may sometime serve as a Proof of the Army's Want of Provisions, &c.

P.S. 'Tis said Admiral Vernon intends to settle the North Americans, with the scattered Remains of the Colony of Georgia, on the 10th ult. These Letters mention the Death of Capt. John Gibson, Son of Mr. Gibson of Adieston in Midlothian, a worthy promising Youth.

We learn from Perth, that Mr. James Bishop Probationer, having lately received a Presentation to the Parish Church of Kinclavin, in room of Mr. James Fisher, who with the other Members of the Associate Presbytery was deposed by the General Assembly; he, by Appointment of the Presbytery, went yesterday was sent to preach in said Church, *incidenter*, till the Vacancy could be regularly supplied; but that some unruly People, mostly Women, not only threatened him to give it up, but also, on his continuing the Discourse, laid Hands upon and hawled him out of the Pulpit, and dragging him out at the Church Door, cast him down upon a Grave Stone.

for of Greek in the University of Edinburgh.

'Tis said that the Hon. Lieut. Colonel Sows, of Brigadier Cornwallis's Regiment, lately quartered in Canongate, died lately in South-Britain.

Yesterday the stately new Meeting, erected near Bristol-port by Subscription of the Adherents to the Associate Presbytery, was opened by a Sermon from the Rev. Mr. Adam Gib.

3 To-morrow the 12th Day of the Moon, it is high Water at Leith, Forenoon, at 11 o'clock, 30 M. Afternoon, at 11, 54 M. Wednesday, Forenoon, at 12, 18 M. Afternoon, at 12, 42 M. Thursday, Forenoon, at 1, 6. Afternoon, at 1, 30 M.

Greenock, Nov. 28. Arrived the Thistle of Glasgow, John Orr, the Mally of Crawforddyke, John Pettigrew, the Peggy of Glasgow, Wm. Walkinshaw, the Sufanna of Irvine, Wm. Gault, and the Eliza of Glasgow, Dan. Clark, all from Virginia; also the Happy Return of Irvine, John Willson, from Dublin.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

* That the Roup of the Lands of SHEILDHALL, lying on the River Clyde, within 4 Miles of Glasgow, with a good House and fine Inclosures, extending to a Five Merk Land of old Extent, holden of the Crown, formerly advertised to have been in October last, and then adjourned till Wednesday the 30th of December instant, is to proceed; and the Lands, which will be set up at 24,000 Merks, will be roup and sold off the said 30th of December instant. And on the same Day will be exposed to Roup, the Back Tenements of Land in the Head of the Gallowgate of Glasgow, belonging to the deceased Thomas Hamilton of Sheildhall. The Conditions of Roup and Progress of Writs are to be seen in the hands of John Wardrop, Writer in Glasgow.

Up now come home, to be sold at ARCHBOLD'S SHIELD's Shop at the Back of the Cross-Wall, Edinburgh, at very reasonable Rates, A Parcel of fine China ORANGES and new Lisbon LIMONS, also fine fresh Chestnuts, and Spanish Nuts in Wholesale or Retail: Likewise fine Kitchen Apples for keeping, and new Virgin Honey. Also may be had, newly come, fine Piedmont Water.

Whereas the Insuring from Loss or Damage by Fire, tends to the Safety of Property in general, and to the Preservation of many Families in particular, who otherwise might be exposed to Poverty and Ruin; And that the SUN-FIRE OFFICE, London, being the first that attempted the Insurances of Goods, Houses, &c. and have hitherto insured at an easier Rate than any Others, and have always paid the Insurers their Losses punctually, and being willing to extend to laudable an Undertaking throughout the whole Kingdom, have therefore appointed DAVID BAIRD Merchant in Edinburgh, their Agent for North Britain, in their Behalf, for delivering out Policies, to insure Houses, Buildings, Household Furniture, Goods, Wares, Merchandises, &c. in Town or Country, agreeable to the Proposals of the Company, to be seen at the Ware house of the said David Baird and Inglis at the head of Craig's Close, opposite to the Cross, and in most of the Post offices, Coffee-houses, and other publick Places in Scotland.

Table of the Annual Premiums to be paid for Insurance.

Sums Insured.	Common Insurances.	Hazardous Insurances.	Doubly Hazardous Insurances.
Any Sum	per annum.	per annum.	per annum.
Not exceeding 200 l.	4 s. per annum.	6 s. per annum.	10 s. per annum.
From 200 to 1000 l.	2 s. per cent.	3 s. per cent.	5 s. per cent.
From 1000 to 2000 l.	2 s. 6 d. per cent.	4 s. per cent.	7 s. 6 d. per cent.
From 2000 to 10000 l.	3 s. 6 d. per cent.	5 s. per cent.	

N. B. Any Person or Persons who have already Insured their Goods, Houses, &c. with this Office, and have neglected to pay up their annual Premiums due at Michaelmas last and Precedings, are desired to call at the said Mr. Baird, they being now no longer Insured until such Payments are made; and those that write for their Policies or Receipts are desired to pay the Postage of their Letters.

Insurance Office, Edinburgh 24th Nov. 1741.

These are to give Notice, That there is to be a General Meeting of the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance against Losses by Fire, on Monday the 7th of December inst. at Three a Clock Afternoon, in Mary's Chappel, concerning Matters of Importance to the Society, where all the Contributors are desired to attend.

ALEX. TAIT Secretary.

* That the AREA and RUINS of the second and third Stories above the high Fore-shops, both Back and Fore, of that Tenement of Land lying at the Back of the Cross, and burnt down on the 9th of May last; and of five Garrets in the Fore-part of the Top-story, and of one Cellar, belonging in Property to one or other of the fore-said two Stories; and likewise the Benefit of a Tack for 990 Years yet to run, at the Rent of 2 d. Scots, of two other Cellars or Vaults (for the Convenience of the Lodgings) which stand and remain entire and untouched by the Fire: Are to be SOLD. The Progress and Conditions of Sale are to be seen in the hands of Andrew Chalmer Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Jackson's Close opposite to the Court of Guard, who will commune with any Person that inclines to purchase.

To be LETT immediately,

A FURNISHED HOUSE in the Parliament-close, first Story in the President's Stairs, viz. three Rooms with Closets, a Kitchen, one Garret-room, and a Cellar.

* That the Lands and Barony of BLACKNESS, lying half a Mile West from Dundee, within the Parish thereof and Sheriffdom of Forfar, having a good Mansion-house, Gardens and Office-houses, holding Feu of the Crown for yearly Payment of 17 l. 15 s. 10 d. Scots Feu-duty, and which Lands paid yearly of free Rent the time of the present Proprietor's Purchase, which in the Year 1718, 481 Bolls 1 Firiot 3 Pecks & 2 Lip of Barley; and since the above time the said Lands are much improved, twixt 80 and 90 Acres thereof being inclosed with Stone-walls, and planted, a large double Pigeon-house lately built, and a considerable Number of Houses for Tradesmen, and a large new Barn at the West-port of Dundee: Are to be exposed to Sale by voluntary Roup, in the House of Henry Ogilvie Vintner in Dundee, the 8th Day of December inst. betwixt 2 and 4 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Roup are to be seen in the hands of John Ballingal Writer in Dundee.

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